



Downtown Durham Open Space Plan



Presentation Outline

- Goals, Objectives and Analysis
- Participatory Design Process
- Staff Recommendations
- Implementation Strategies



Downtown Open Space Goals

- A variety of open spaces
- Opportunities for outdoor activities
- Connect urban neighborhoods
- Design that complements the urban fabric



Plan Objectives

- Assess current open space inventories;
- Identify potential new public open space; and
- Recommend policy and ordinance changes.



Public Participation Process

- **Open Space Survey**
- **Workshops:**
 - Open Space Needs
 - Master Plan
 - Open Space Design
- **Meetings:**
 - Concept Presentation
 - Boards, Commissions and Stakeholders
 - Draft Presentation on February 6th





Downtown Open Space Type: Public





Downtown Open Space Type: Open Space at Public Buildings





Downtown Open Space Type: Semi-Public

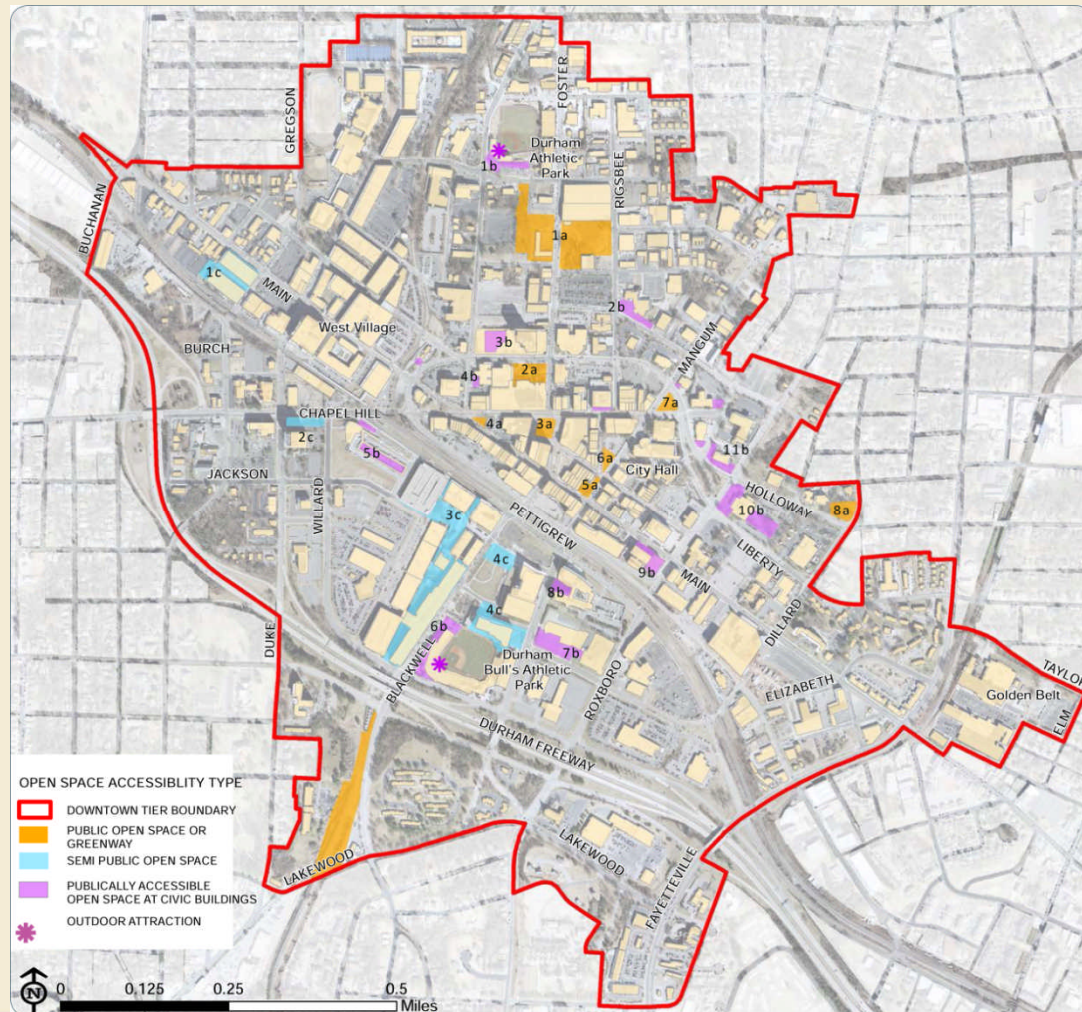




Downtown Open Space Type: Private

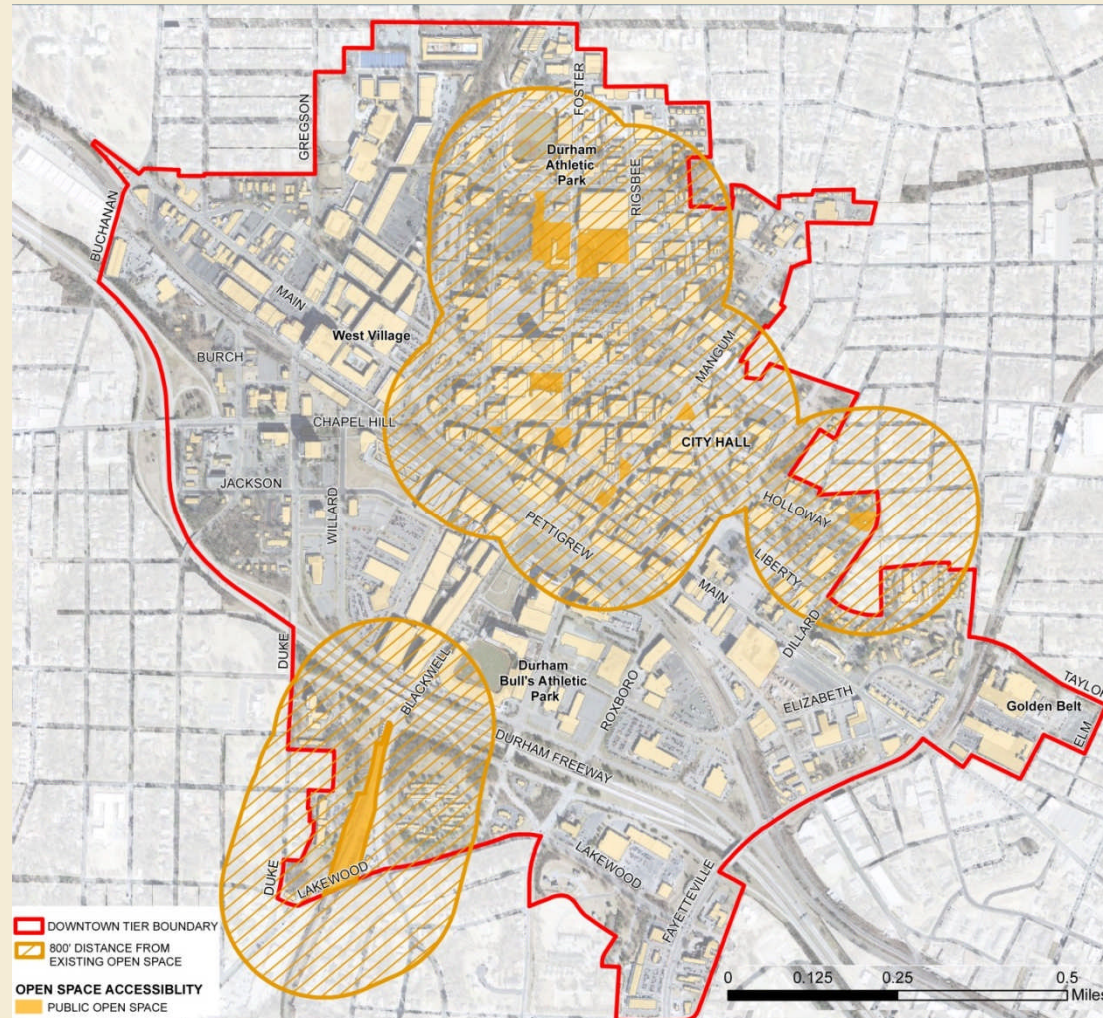


Existing Open Space

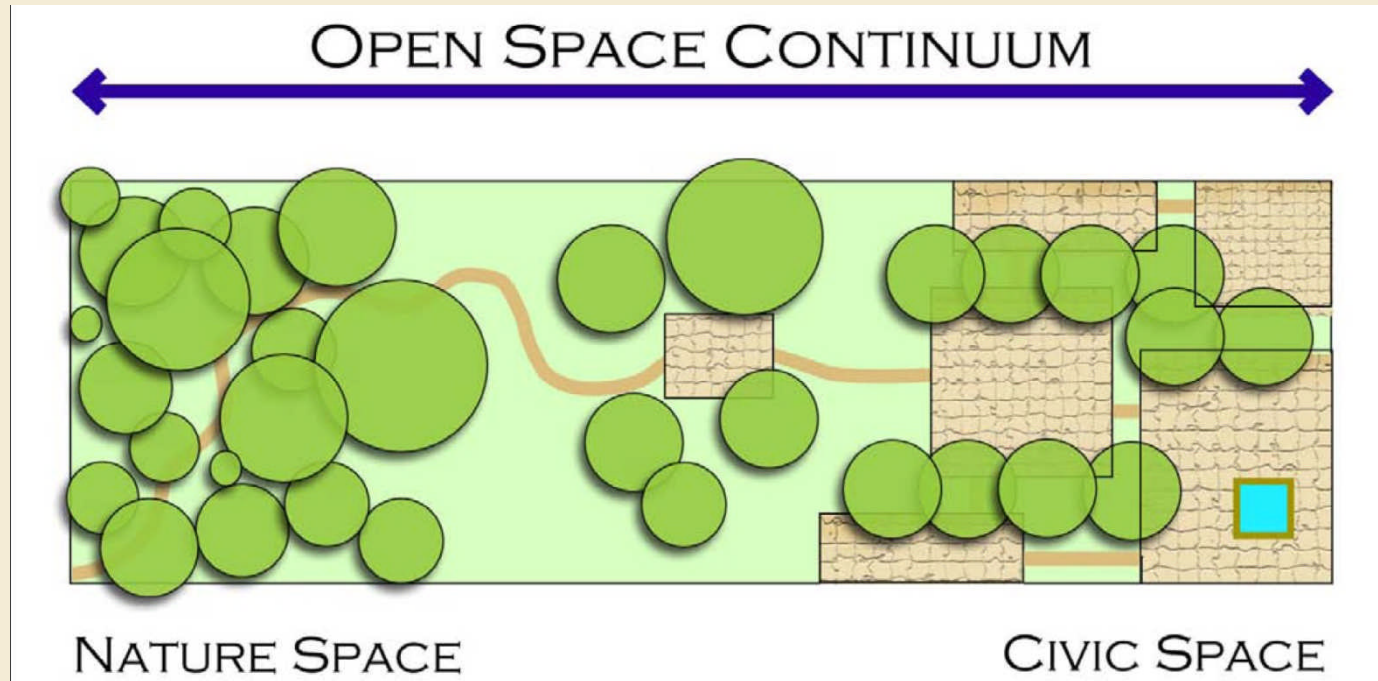




Open Space Walking Areas



Open Space Character





Open Space Function

- Civic Gathering
- Environmental Resources
- Recreational Facilities
- Transportation & Connectivity
- Gateways

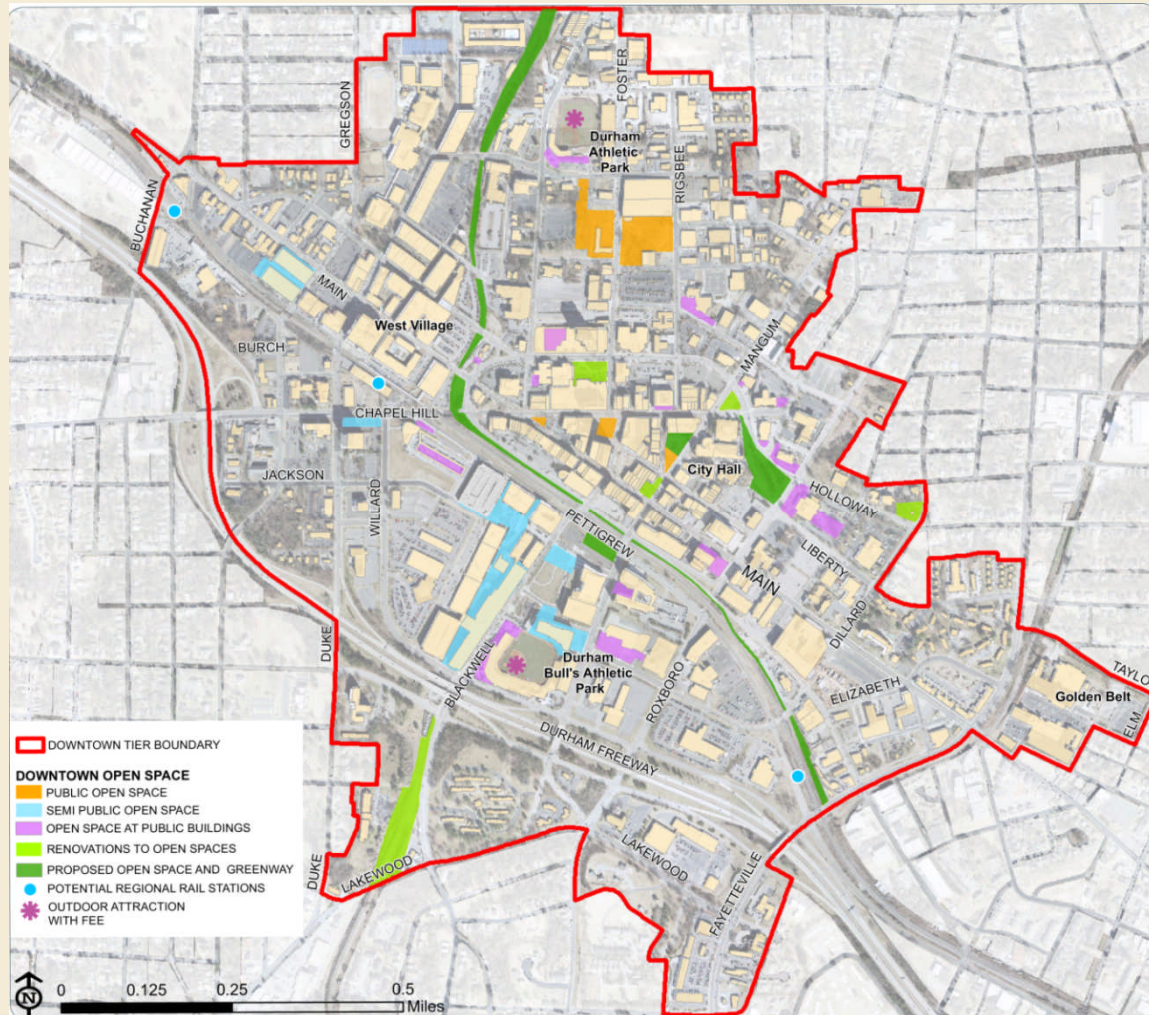


Recommendations

- General Policy Recommendations
- Renovation of Existing Space
- New Public Open Space
- Improved Connectivity
- Implementation and Funding



Master Plan





Open Space Concepts

- Illustrative only (to be developed later)
- Reference public participation
- Explore open space opportunities
- Visualize site potential
- Describe characteristics for early planning



Renovate Existing Spaces

- Rotary Park
- 102 West Main Street green space
- Convention Center Plaza

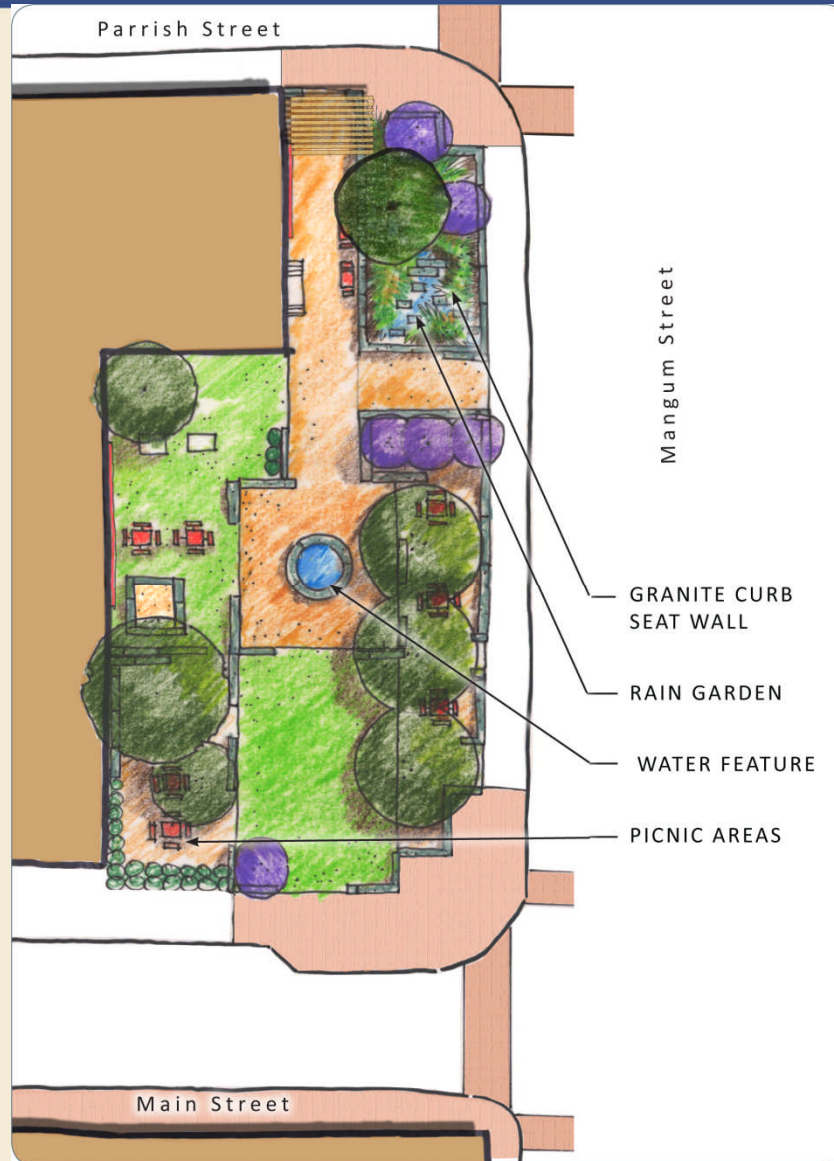
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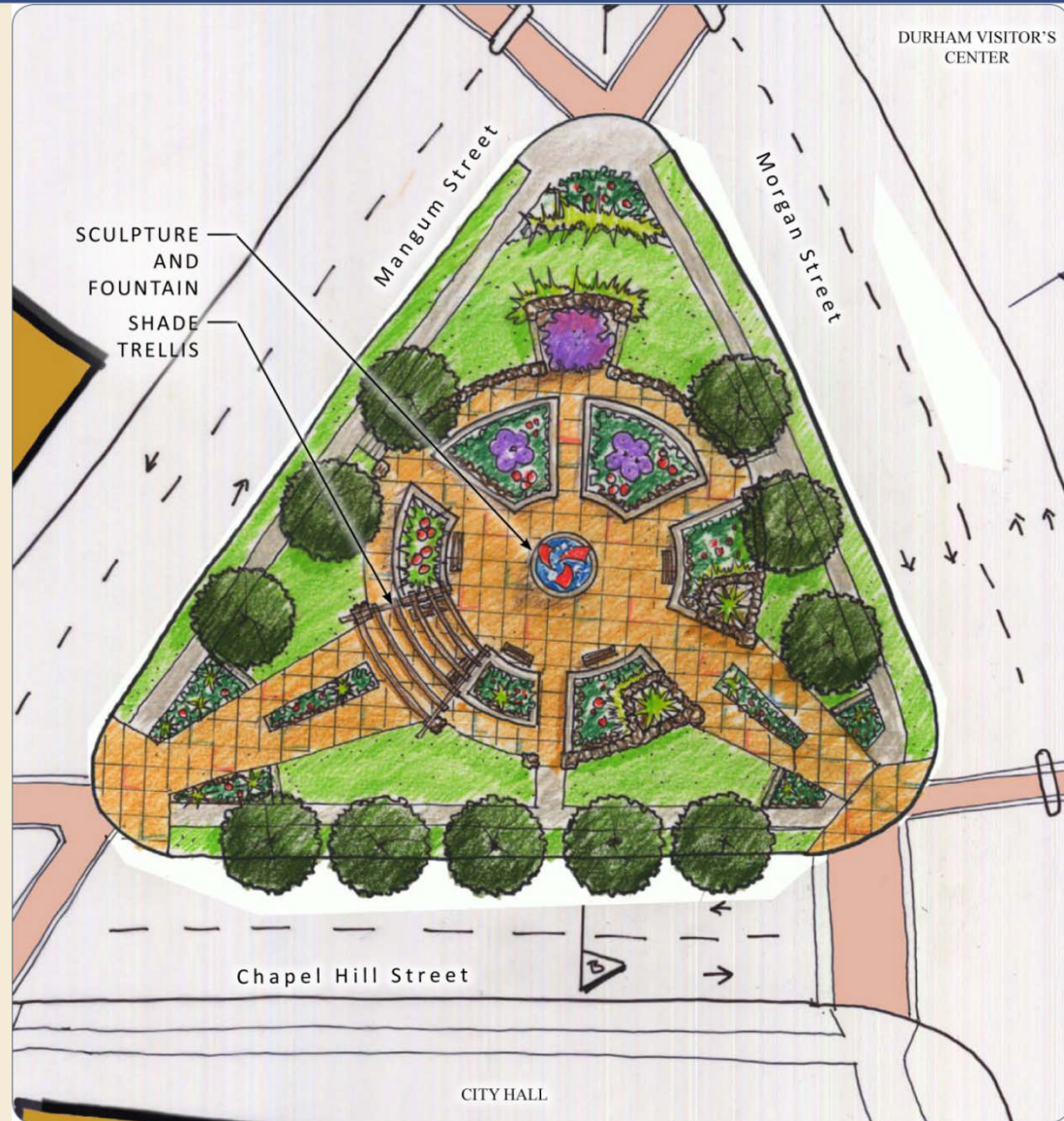
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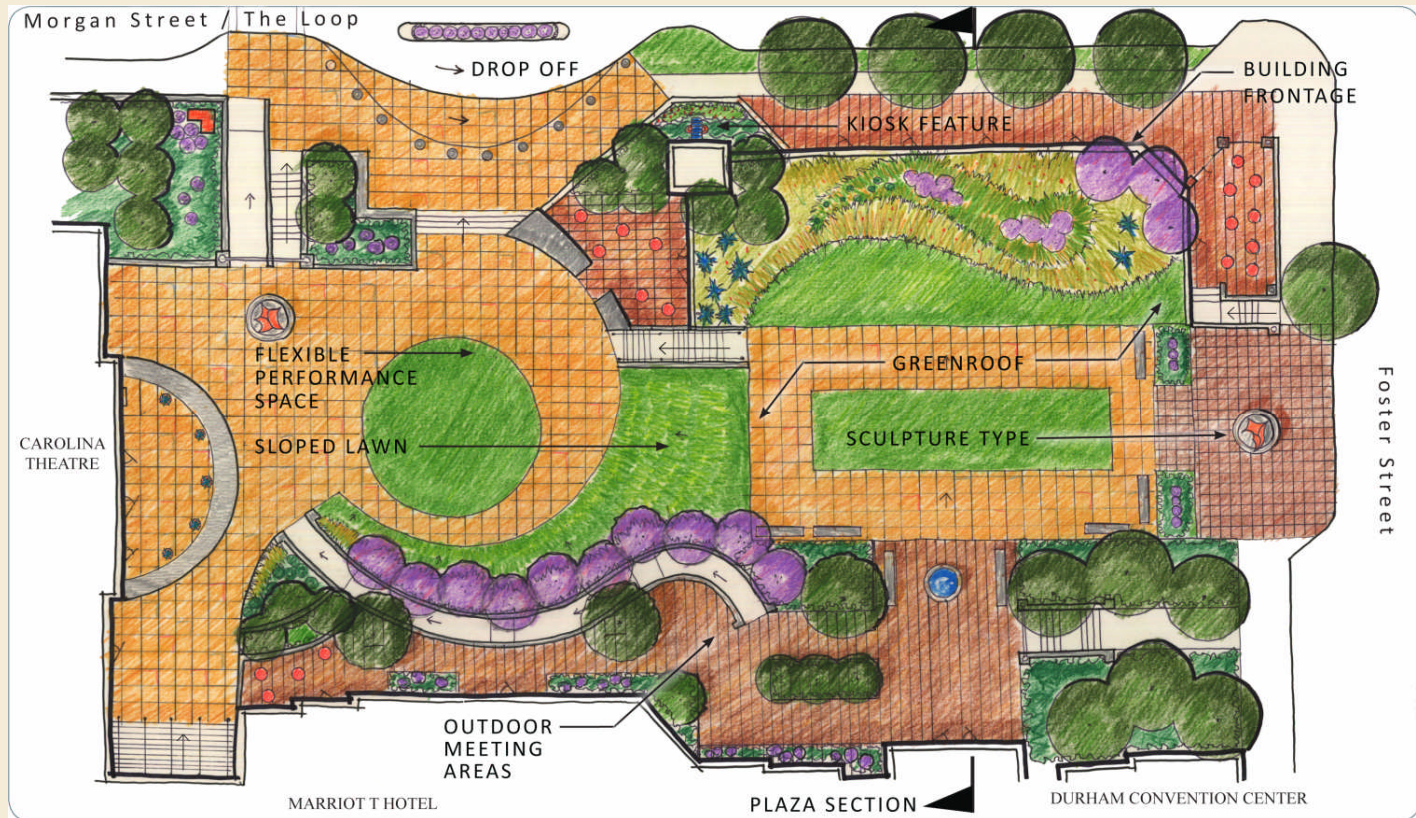
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New Public Open Space

- Church and Roxboro Street
- Mangum Street
- DPAC

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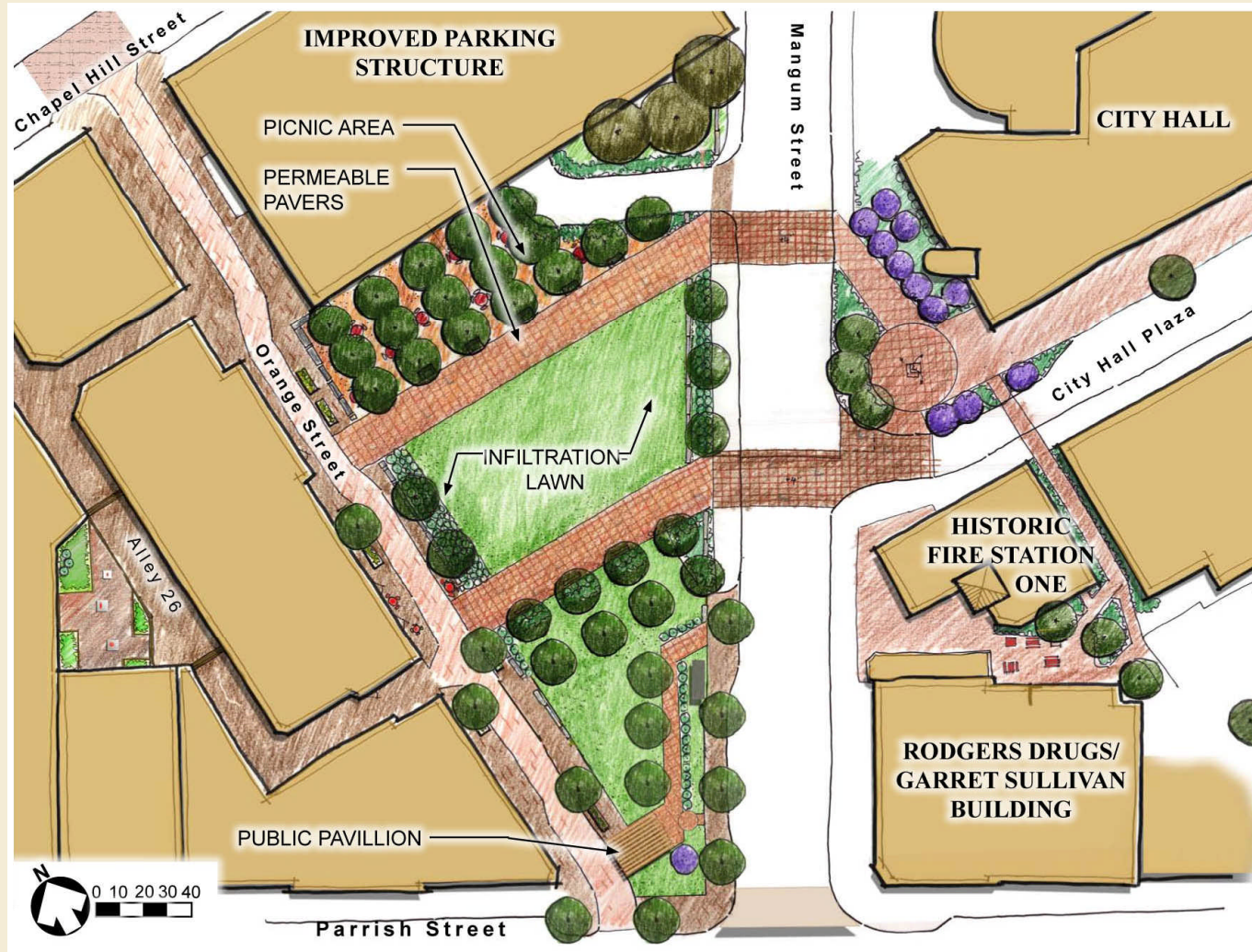
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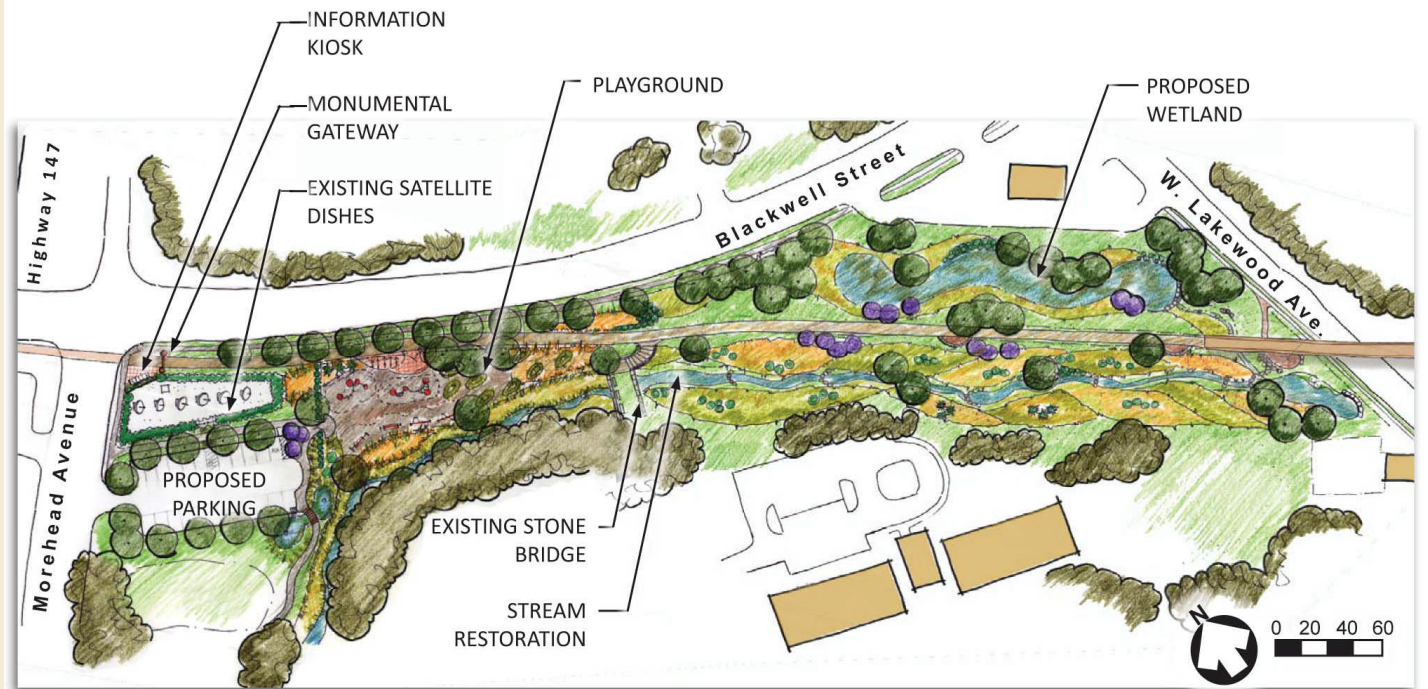
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Improved Connectivity

- Improve ATT trail head
- Improve crossing Pettigrew/Ramseur Street and the Railroad corridor
- East-west greenway
- North-south “beltline” greenway

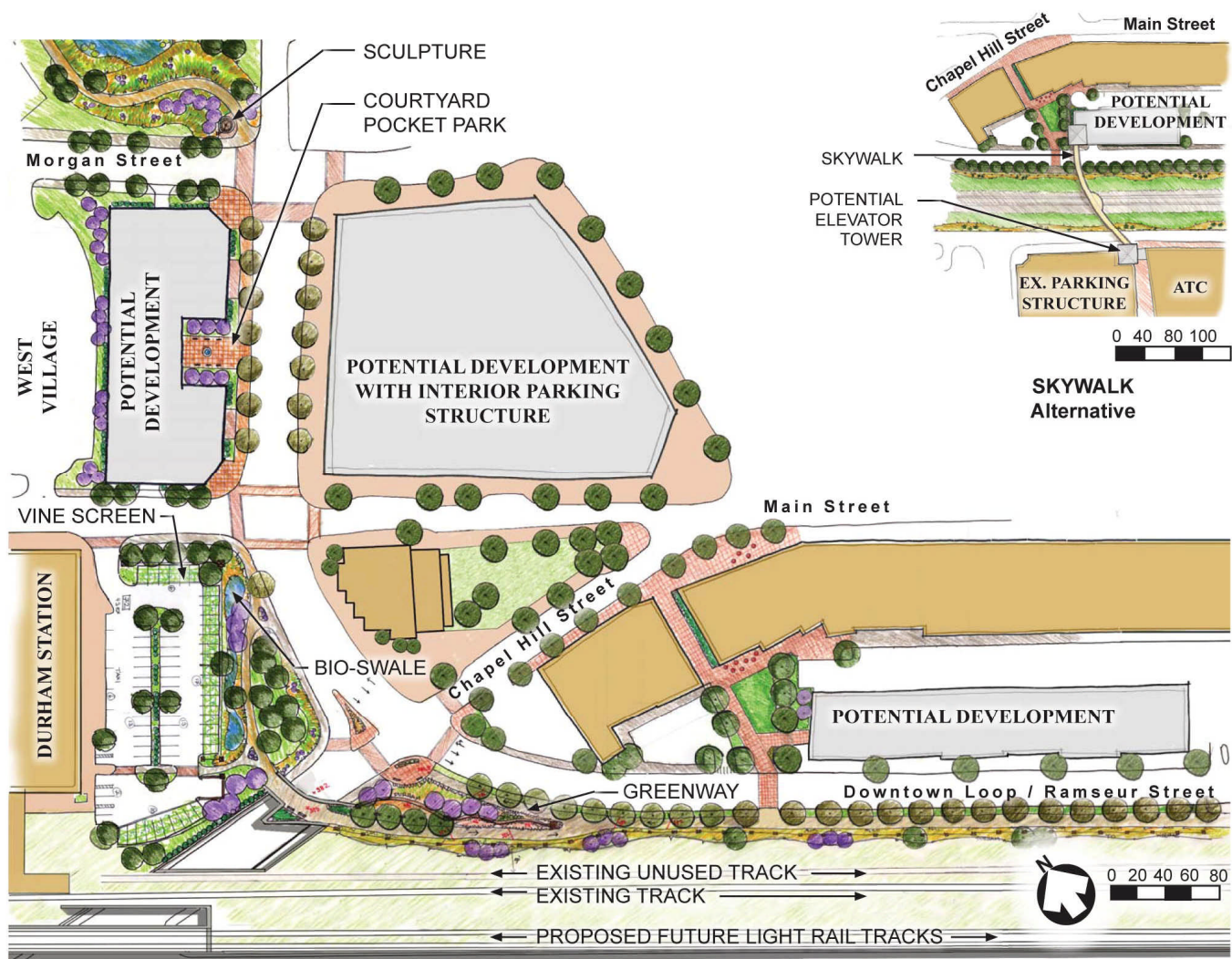




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MOVE CURB TO MAKE
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AND PLANTING STRIP

PATH TO
OVERPASS

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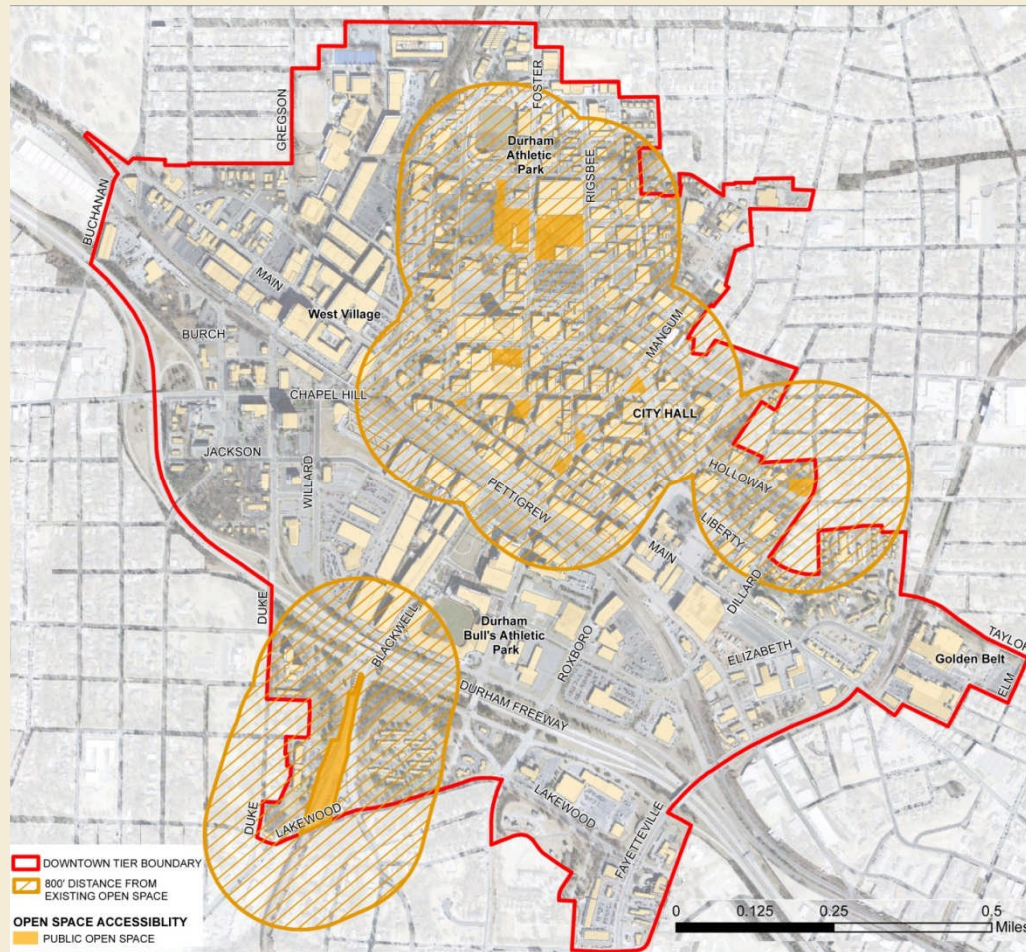
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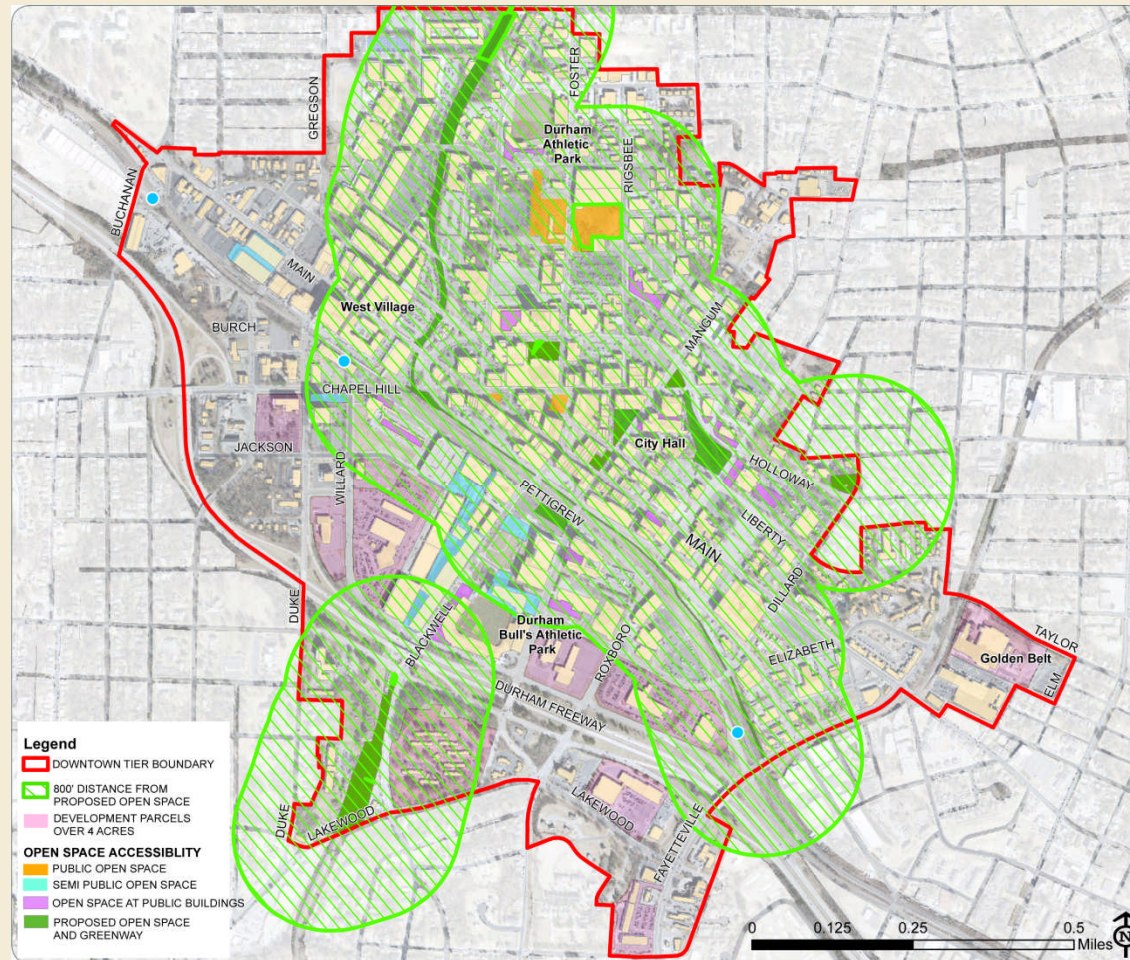


Existing Public Open Space





Proposed Open Space



Metrics

Chart G
Existing Open Space
Types
23.3 Acres

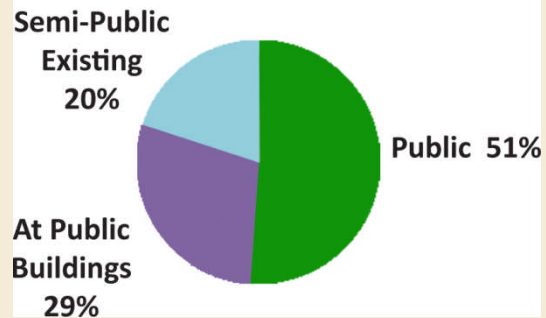
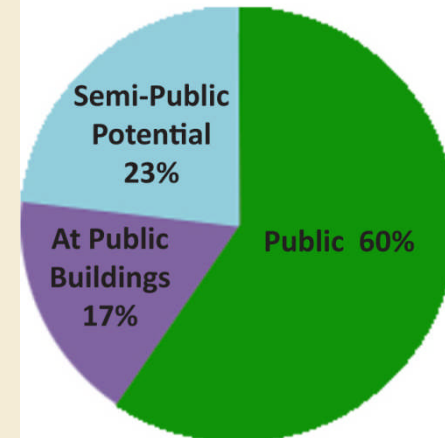


Chart H
Proposed Open Space
Types
34.9-39.2 Acres





Implementation

- Coordinate with other departments
- Prioritize recommendations
- Earmark existing residential impact fees to be spent Downtown
- UDO requirements for private open space on sites larger than 4 acres
- Open space improvements in CIP
- Grants



Questions?